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To the Commission:

It is my understanding that you are considering ruling on multicast must-carry rights for broadcasters in digital television in the upcoming weeks. In order for the digital transition to succeed, broadcasters should receive full cable carriage of their entire 6 MHz of spectrum (which is the current requirement for analog television). Full must-carry preserves broadcast localism and promotes diversity in television programming.

United Communications Corporation operates a full-power CBS affiliate, WWNY-TV/DT in Watertown NY. In 2001 United Communications Corporation launched an LPTV FOX affiliate. This service provides a local affiliate for FOX programming which features, among other things, another outlet for local public service, sports assignments of regional interest such as NY Giants football and a local 10PM newscast. WNYF-CA has no must-carry rights.

WWNY-DT multicasts the programming of WNYF-CA. Multicast must-carry rights for WWNY-DT would provide more viewers with the entertainment, public service, news and information United Communications investment in WNYF-CA provides.

Thank you,
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